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Suspect Convicted in Mary's Market Robbery

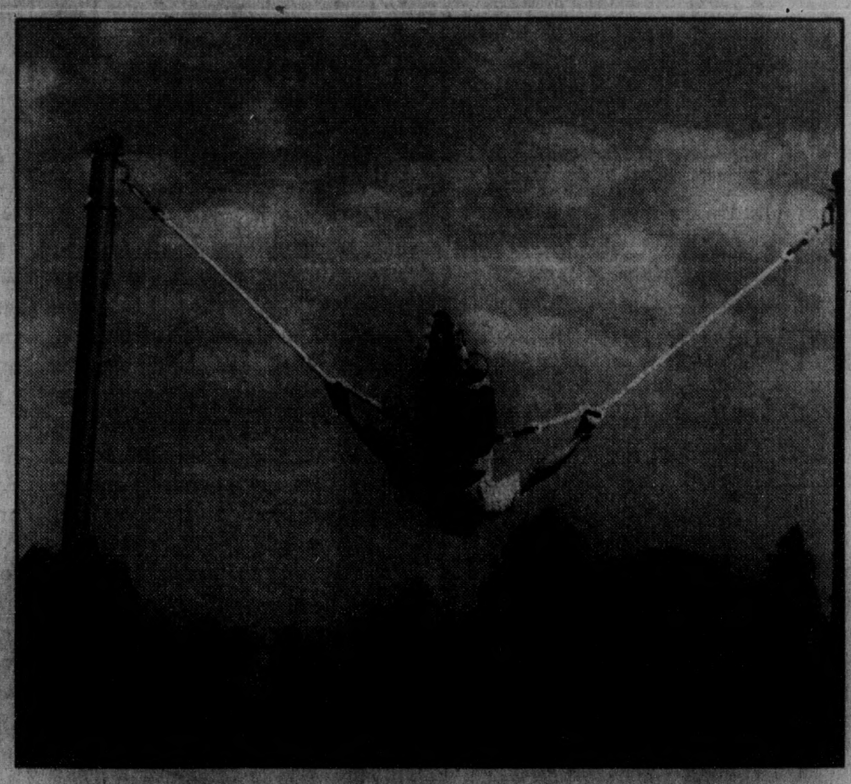
By Dan Oakes

It took more than a year, but the man arrested for the armed robbery of Mary's Market was convicted by a jury at Pasadena Superior Court. It was on August 31, 1997, that Mary's Market owner Tom Hammond was threatened at gunpoint and robbed. At that time, Hammond was ordered into the back room at Mary's, but he was struck by the certainty that if he left the possible sightline of any potential passersby, he would be killed. Despite a gun to his head, Hammond refused, and the decision probably saved his life.

At a trial last week, Hammond testified against 24 year old Sergio Rodriguez, whom he identified as the gunman. Also testifying was Wayne Zimmerman, who identified Rodriguez as the man he saw in the immediate vicinity of Mary's Market around the time of the robbery. Rodriguez was convicted not only of the robbery, but also of the use of a gun, which carries a separate sentence.

Hammond credited Sierra Madre Police Officer Esther Colpitts with cracking the case and locating Rodriguez as a suspect. Colpitts was the responding officer, and when he related his story, the description Hammond gave reminded her of a man whom she had stopped and questioned the previous day, and whose name and address she had taken. A picture of the suspect was located, and Hammond identified Rodriguez. "I recognized him instantly," Hammond said. A warrant was issued for his arrest, but nobody knew where to find him. When picked up by Los Angeles County

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Along with other funs activities at St. Rita's Spirit Day Carnival, Acro-Flight promises to provide many a thrill for our community daredevils.

St. Rita's Spirit Day Carnival

St. Rita's School will be "harvesting St. Rita's Spirit" at their 3rd annual Spirit Day Fall Carnival, Saturday, September 26, 1998. Open to the entire community, the carnival will be held on St. Rita's West Campus, located at the corner of Baldwin and Olive in Sierra Madre. Activities suitable for tots to grandpops will run from 1 p.m. to 11 p.m., including interactive rides, games, bingo, raffles, silent and live auctions, music and dancing. There will be lots of drinks waiting to cool you down throughout the day including sodas, beer & wine. Many delicious foods will be available such as tacos, Italian sausages, and a steak dinner barbecue served between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. A coffee cart serving many types of gourmet coffees will be on hand in the evening hours. So mark your calendars, spread the word, and get ready to "harvest" lots of fun! For ticket information call St. Rita School office at (626) 355-6114.

Sierra Madre's Newest Police Officer: Keith Abbott

By Dan Oakes

The Sierra Madre Police Department has recently announced the hiring of two new officers, one of whom won't seem very new to Sierra Madre residents. Keith Abbott has been a reserve officer with the City of Sierra Madre for 10 months, dividing his time between the City and his part-time work with the Pasadena City College Police. He graduated from the Rio Hondo Police Academy in January, 1996. He was formerly a reserve officer with the Arcadia Police Department.

Keith is 26 years old, and grew up in the nearby San Gabriel area. An Eagle Scout, he attributes his attitude of wanting to help people to his scouting days. "Growing up with other Boy Scouts, we always looked for ways to help people. I look at this as a unique opportunity to help out the community," Abbott says. He is the first member of his family to turn to a career in law enforcement.

He is also working on a bachelor's degree in public administration, although those plans are temporarily on hold as Keith completes his training and probationary period, which will be for an indefinite length of time. Generally, an officer starting from scratch can be expected to spend from 12-16 weeks of training, but Abbott's experience with the Department may shorten that time frame.

Keith has a genuine fondness for people, particularly children, and enjoys getting to know them, which makes Sierra Madre an ideal place for him to work. "By far, this is the most enjoyable law enforcement job I've had, thanks to the small town atmosphere, and the residents," Keith adds.

Keith believes that as a police officer, not only does one have to believe in his role as a peace officer, but also believe in the community one serves. He fully believes that Sierra Madre is a community that is more than worth his efforts.

He has essentially been working in the capacity in which a regular officer would work, preparing reports, answering calls, and going on patrol with officers.

Chief King Davis said of Abbott, "We were impressed with Keith as a reserve. He worked hard and he fit in well, but he didn't get any special favors in the selection process. Everyone had to go through the same process. I'm happy to note that he did an outstanding job. We're excited to have him."

The difficult selection process subjected the 40 candidates to a written exam, an outside panel of supervisory officers, psychological and physical examinations, a polygraph, and the Chief's oral examination. Davis reports that in the short time Keith has been with the Sierra Madre Police Department as a reserve officer, Davis has received three separate letters of commendation thanking the Department for his work.

"This is something I was very much looking forward to. I'm proud to be a member of a fine department under Chief King Davis," said Abbott.

Louise Corp Tennis Tournament Resumes in a Big Way

By Dan Oakes

After a year in which the Louise Corp Memorial Tennis Tournament was not held, it resumed last Friday, drawing 60 tennis players and 95 luncheon attendees in one of the most enjoyable fund-raisers in town. The money for the tournament, as it has since the mid-1980's, goes to the Sierra Madre Police Department. Traditionally, the tournament raises roughly $2,400 annually. While there was some concern that due to the tournament's not being held last year, that figure might be significantly lower, organizer Olive Buchan estimates that thanks to unprecedented extra donations, the total figure will be a good one, though the numbers aren't yet in.

Buchan and Nolie Howard do a phenomenal job organizing the event, including arranging publicity, coordinating players and tournament areas, and working closely with the City to ensure that the tournament will not conflict with other functions. This cooperations helps to clear the way for City employees to participate in the tournament, and this year was no different, seeing the entry of City Administrator John Davidson, Police Chief King Davis, Director of Public Works Bruce Inman, Lieutenant Wayne Bailey, Administrative Assistant Tara Schultz, and Assistant Recreation Director Michelle Keith.

"I was amazed and really impressed," said Davis. "I had a lot of fun, too." Davis was not expecting to play, but said that he had his arm twisted (by Davidson). "That's why I didn't play so well; my arm was still twisted," joked Davis, who complimented Howard and Buchan, and thanked them for their efforts on behalf of the Police Department. "They put in a tremendous amount of hard work," Davis said.

The tournament would also not be nearly as successful as it is without the generous support of the business community, and this year was no different. "They were extremely generous," said Buchan. "I can't say enough for them, in town and out."

And now, a confession. I did something really dumb on Friday. I called Nolie Howard and said, "Gee, this tournament sounds like fun. Are you still taking entries?"

Nolie said, "Well, go down to Memorial Park and you can be an alternate."

"OK," I said. I was on a pay phone in front of the Recreation Center. I walked up to my car, parked by the tennis courts at Sierra Vista Park, and saw Charles Corp and Michelle Keith, and told them that I was off to Memorial Park.

"You don't want to go there, Dan," said Charles, kindly. "That's where the good players are."

I didn't want to upset Nolie either, and I figured, surely anyone who has committed $30 to this tournament will show up. What's the worst that can happen? When I arrived at Memorial Park, only Frank Von Dongen was there, and I immediately laid the verbal groundwork for my escape to an easier court.

"Maybe I'll go down to Orange Grove," I ventured. Little did I know that Nolie had already spoken to Frank.

"No, I have your name down. You stay here," he instructed.

Players began filing in and warming up. I frequently play poker tournaments, and there's a saying in the poker subculture: If you can't spot the live one (translation: sucker) at your table, it's you. As I

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Sign-up Time For Fun/ Run/Walk

By Phyllis Chapman

The Sierra Madre News is making it very easy. Each week, for your convenience, the application to enter the 5K Run/Run/Walk is printed on the paper's page 4. The event is coming soon, on Sunday, October 18, beginning at 8:00 a.m. We look forward to receiving your application.

This is the second year for the event, part of Pioneer Day celebration. It was very successful last year, enjoyed by both the serious runners and the walkers. The 5K route is different from last year, giving you an opportunity to get to know more of this special place, Sierra Madre. 19 sites are identified on the route with the information about each site placed on a poster out front.

Entry fee for those who pre-register before the deadline of Friday, October 16, is $15 which includes the walk/run t-shirt. You will love the shirt! Thanks to Larry Skiles for the clever design which is perfect for the fun event. You can also register the morning of the race from 7:15 to 7:45 a.m. Race day registration is $20 which also includes the t-shirt. Children 12 and under enter free. Don't miss this special family event, to be with friends and probably make new ones. Any questions? Call the recreation department at 355-5278.

Jazz On The Green Festival

Preparations are underway for the fastest growing event in Sierra Madre, the third annual Jazz on the Green Festival. The afternoon of jazz will be held on the grounds of the Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center, 200 North Sunnyside, in Sierra Madre, on October 11 from 2 to 6:30 p.m. All proceeds from Jazz on the Green go to support the Sierra Madre Library.

"Make your plans now because the entertainment will be bigger and better than ever. We have booked some of the hottest sounds around," urged Dawn Woullard and Darrell Brooke who are in charge of entertainment. The dynamite lineup has been expanded from three to four

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POLICE CALLS

September 18

11:35 a.m.: An extinguished fire ring was reported at Orchard Camp. The US Forestry Dispatch was notified.

2:47 p.m.: A case of child abuse was reported in the 300 block of W. Grandview.

5:04 p.m.: A multi-vehicle non-injury accident was reported at Alegria and Michillinda.

September 19

6:39 a.m.: A resident reported that an upstairs tenant in his building stomps on the floor early in the morning, and that it is an ongoing problem. The responding officer reported the problem "resolved for now."

11:45 a.m.: A case of child abuse was reported in the 600 block of Fairview.

5:47 p.m.: A rattlesnake call came into the station. In the 500 block of Grove, two rattlesnakes were disposed of.

September 20

12:02 a.m.: An aggravated assault with a knife was reported in the 200 block of Jameson Ct.

1:58 p.m.: A case of malicious mischief was reported in the 600 block of Ramona.

September 21

10:24 p.m.: A bear sighting was reported in the 600 block of Sierra Meadow.

Memory Lane

By Thomas Hutter

A Far Away Country & Other Stuff

One day when I was real little, about six years old, I was just waking up from my afternoon nap when I heard Mom and dad talking real excitedly in the living room. Oh Boy! Dad was home early from work! I ran out to them and threw my arms around Dad and gave him a big kiss. Usually, the few times I ever saw Dad was on the week-ends because he worked real funny hours.

Dad put me up on his knee and asked me if I would like to take a long trip with him and Mom. I got real excited and said, "Sure Dad. Where are we going?" Dad told me that we were going to Oregon. I didn't know anything about Oregon except Dad said it was a long way away, so I thought it must be in some other country. I didn't care. I'd be with Mom and Dad and Brother John, and we'd be safe because we would be all together.

Mom and Dad spent the whole next day packing clothes and getting stuff ready for our trip the following morning. Mom got all the stuff ready and Dad and me and Brother John packed everything but the kitchen sink and when Dad and me and Brother John got it all in the car, there was almost not enough room for me and John to fit into the back seat.

That evening after supper, we all sat around in the living room talking about our up and coming expedition into the unknown. Dad said that we were going to visit a real close friend of Dad's. This man had retired about a year ago. I didn't know what retired was, but if Dad wanted to see how he was, it was o.k. with me.

The man's name was Mr. Dacon, and he bought a ranch in the country of Oregon. Mr Dacon wrote Dad a letter inviting him to bring the family and to come and visit. Dad had some vacation coming and a little extra money for a change so Mom and Dad decided to take the trip.

Mom and Dad decided that we should all get to bed real early so that we could get going early on the road in the morning. Me and Brother John went to our rooms and got into our beds and soon Mom and Dad came to say goodnight and turn the lights off.

Oh! I knew I was not going to sleep a wink that night so I just laid on my back in the darkness of the bedroom and fantasized about this far away country, Oregon. I wondered if we had to take a boat or something to get there, and if they had lions and tigers and elephants and stuff like that in Oregon. This thinking about Oregon was neat, I could do it all night long. It was fun pretending about the stuff I knew nothing about.

Well, in a short while, with dreams of the land of Oregon in my head, I must have fallen asleep, because the next thing I knew Mom was sitting on the edge of my bed, rubbing my back, which was my favorite thing in the whole world. Gently she woke me up and I bounced out of bed, with dreams of Oregon jumping out of myhead, and was dressed and ready to go in a flash. Soon everybody was up and getting ready to go and I beat them all. I put my jacket on and went outside and got in the car and waited for the family to come out and get in the car.

It seemed like it took forever but finally everybody piled out the front door and Dad got it all locked up and we were ready to go. We left our little house on Montecito and departed from our little village of Sierra Madre. Dad drove over to Rosemead Blvd., and south for a short distance and stopped at my favorite place in the whole world! It was Plevel's Donut Shop. We didn't have a donut shop in Sierra Madre then and Plevel's was the closest place to get those yummy donuts. Dad went inside and was back in a flash with a big old box full of different kinds of donuts. Man! I was in seventh heaven! A trip to the country of Oregon and donuts too.

It wasn't long until Brother John asked Dad to stop the car and as soon as Dad stopped, he and Mom had to take us to the side of the road and do what we had to do. I guess me and Brother John got car sick and I sure didn't like that. Well, Dad decided to stay there for a short time until Brother John and me feltbetter, which didn't take too long. Boy! I never felt like that before.

It wasn't long and we were all back in the car again driving up the highway. Me and Brother John fell asleep and when we woke up, Dad was pulling into a place where we could sleep for the night and have a nice supper. We got there kind of early, and we walked around and looked at stuff until it was time to eat, and it was noisy and hot in the restaurant, so we finished up and headed for our room for the night. The surroundings were new and strange, but the family was there with me and I felt warm and secure. After we all got bedded down for the night I went to sleep right away and the next thing I knew it was morning.

We all went over to the coffee shop and had breakfast after we had loaded up the car again. Soon we were on the road, travelling up the highway, me and Brother John didn't get car sick anymore, either. Along towards the late afternoon we crossed the state line into the country of Oregon. We saw the sign and we passed it, and here we were, it didn't look any different to me than where we had been. I didn't see any lions or tigers or elephants or anything. I remember looking out of the car window real hard to see what kind of wild animals there were in this new place. But I didn't see anything but the same ole stuff.

Pretty soon Dad turned off the highway and drove up this kind of twisty dirt road for a short distance and all I saw was low rolling hills and a whole big bunch of Christmas trees of allsizes. That was neat.

A little further on Dad came to an open gate with a mail box on it and the name on the box was "DACON!" That was the name of Dad's friend! We were there!

Dad turned into the dirt driveway and we drove for about five minutes to get to the house. Mr. Dacon and his wife came out of their house to greet us as Dad stopped the car.

Mr. Dacon was a tall, skinny old man with a real, big, curly, gray mustache that swooped up on each side of his nose. He had a straw hat on his head and he was wearing blue overalls. He sure looked like a farmer to me. Whatever retired was, he looked just like a farmer.

Mrs. Dacon was real short and kind of chubby. Her grey hair was tied in a real long braid that wrapped around and around on top of her head. She wore and old fashioned lady's dress and an apron tied around her big waist. She had a real nice smile and I liked her right away.

PART 2 of A FAR AWAY COUNTRY AND OTHER STUFF will appear in the Sierra Madre News next week.

From the Editor's Desk

By Dan Oakes

To start with an item that hasn't been promoted in this column before, October 11th marks the newest installation of Jazz on the Green, at the Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center. Food and drinks will be available, but picnics are welcome. The event is a Friends of the Sierra Madre Library fund-raiser, and tickets ($12.50 adults, free to children under 12) are available through the Library (355-7186).

Appearing will be Jim Stubblefield, the Robert Kyle Group, Sanda Booker, and Eric Friedman. Apparently no success yet for the underground group of public officials and rebels who have assured me that one day, this event will become "Blues on the Green." That's probably just as well; it might set a dangerous precedent. What would follow? Do we really need to see "Country Western on the Green"? "Speed Metal on the Green"? "Opera on the Green"? Or, God forbid, the one that wakes me up in the middle of the night in a cold sweat, "Funk/Rap/Hip-Hop on the Green"? Maybe we should just leave well enough alone.

The 12th annual Fire Prevention Festival will be hosted on Saturday, October 10th, from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., by the Sierra Madre Volunteer Fire Department, 242 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. The festivities include station tours, free smoke detectors, sodas and hot dogs, coloring books, and more. The festival is annually set to coincide with National Fire Prevention Week (October 4-10, 1998), which is set to coincide with the anniversary of the great Chicago fire of 1870-something or other, attributed to Mrs. O'Leary's cow, as I learned last year from Fire Marshal Richard Snyder. These festivals are getting better and better, and the department has new trucks and equipment, so come check it out.

Speaking of getting better and better, I don't know the Pioneer Days organizers are going to top last year's event, but if anyone can do it, it's Judy Webb-Martin and Pam Kelly. On October 17-18, we'll have a chance to find out exactly how they plan to do that.

How about those Arcadia Elks? In a ceremony last Friday, the Elks donated $1,000 to both the Sierra Madre Police Department and the Sierra Madre Volunteer Fire Department. Bill Schlote accepted the check on behalf of the Fire Department, and Mayor Doug Hayes on behalf of the Police Department. A very nice gesture from our neighbors to the south.

Mira Monte Park may soon be renamed Mount Wilson Park. The proposal has cleared the Parks and Recreation Commission, and will appear before the Sierra Madre City Council at their next meeting on Monday, September 28th.

By Harry Martin

A Most Unusual Man

In the summer of 1918, when I was sixteen years old, I was employed as a timekeeper for a crew of iron workers on the Rock Island Arsenal at Rock Island, Illinois. This was a madhouse of haste, waste and confusion, always a part of a war project. It was punctuated by the language of the iron workers who used every type of obscenity ever known in their ordinary conversation. I was a little boy living alone, away from home for the first time, and it was a new experience for me. Into this maelstrom came a crew of convicts. They were brought in to do common labor, as the war had taken two million men from the labor force, and there were no labor-saving machines as we know now.

One of these newcomers attracted my attention. He was a gigantic black man with the biggest muscles I had ever seen. But, he was noteworthy in one respect. In all this confusion, he maintained a quiet, soft voice quite often punctuated by a big smile. I once admired his big muscles which gave him great amusement, and he answered my questions with a soft voice saying, "heh, heh, heh." But in another and more important way, he stood out in his attitude toward me. Never once did he utter a foul word or tell a filthy story in my presence. He was a black giant and I was a skinny, under-sized white teenager. He treated me with great respect.

One day I heard something that should have scared me, but didn't. I was told that my friend was serving a life term for murder, but this didn't change my opinion of him in the least. I still regarded this man as perhaps the only friend I had on the whole project. He was perhaps forty years old and his future was bleak. On the last Saturday of August, I drew my pay at noon and prepared to take the late afternoon train to my hometown where I expected to enter the Senior Class of Keithsburg High the following week.

I never saw my friend again, but I have often wondered about his fate. He might have been a murderer, but to a scared young boy, he was a gentleman. He was indeed a most unusual man.

Harry is 96 years old and has lived in sierra Madre for more than 40 years. He dictates these stories to an avid listener in the Skilled Nursing Facility in town.

City of Sierra Madre Conducts Public Workshop

The City of Sierra Madre will conduct a public workshop on Tuesday, September 29, 1998 regarding Home Occupations (home businesses) and staff requests public comment and input, in an effort to update the existing ordinance. At the August 20, 1998 Planning Commission meeting, staff presented the Commission with a draft Home Occupation ordinance. Staff intends to present the Commission with a final draft of the Home Occupation Ordinance at the October 15, 1998 Planning commission meeting.

The public workshop on September 29th will provide staff with community input vital to the writing of the Ordinance. The workshop is open to the public, however, suggestions from home business owners will be especially helpful. The workshop will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 29, 1998. Please contact the Development Services Department with any additional information. (626) 355-7135.

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Letters To The Editor

How About a Safe Place For Us "Skateboarders" To Ride

Dear Editor:

As a skateboarder, I know what most of them are like.

Skating in Kersting court s banned, but every Saturday and maybe Sunday 30-40 even 50-60 bicyclists ride around there blocking traffic and parking spaces. I have nothing against bicyclists, but two skateboarder are not allowed to ride on the sidewalk. Many skaters I know are not punks, as their reputation seems to be, there are some skaters like that, but most are not. If there is an elderly lady or man (and all ages) walking down the street, we will stop going down the hill at 5 mph. If you don't trust all of them, as so would I, you ban it and have police watching. OK, I have no problem with that, so we go to the park where there are people running around and playing, people getting in the way, we go there and you ban it again, why? In the school it is not allowed.

So a bunch of well behaved teenagers make a YAC. I think it is a very well placed building. They do not make much noise and there is nothing bad happening there like drugs or anything like that. Two teenaged citizens spend 60 hours working under the hot sun building skate ramps; for what? To get the skateboarders off the streets, they made about five ramps that were used regularly. You had to have protection in order to get to use the ramps. They could not use it after 9:00 p.m. Many skateboarders used that park regularly, and they did not get hurt. Maybe they had a skinned knee, but that is not different from in the park or street after a bunch of skaters are using the part, you close it down. Are you trying to get them off the streets, but they are off the streets using the park. Open the park and there will be no more skaters on the streets.

If you want the streets safe from accidents like crashing, you make a park. When they are on the park, they don't hit anyone except maybe each other, but that happens. Taking the skate park away means only one thing, they are going to use the schools or the park and sidewalks, If you want them off the street, give them a place to skate!

Sincerely, Morgan Reidy, Age 11
Sierra Madre

Jazz On The Green Festival

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acts, all performing on a single stage. The headliners, include the velvety tones of Sandra Booker Trio; 14 year old blues sensation Eric Friedman and his band, the Robert Kyle Group, which was such a crowd pleaser at last year's concert, and the ever popular Jim Stubblefield Group. There is music for everyone, including the youngsters.

At 14, Eric Friedman is a phenom who performs blues and blues/rock music. This year he performed at the Catalina Blues Festival, the only artist asked to return for a second year.

Sandra Booker has quickly become well respected among traditional jazz musicians for her remarkable ability to scat at break-neck speed and perform earthy interpretations of mainstream material as well as the more avant garde.

Robert Kyle, tenor sax, flute, has performed and recorded with Linda Ronstadt, Kenny Loggins, Carole King, and Michael Bolton among others. The Robert Kyle Group consists of four outstanding musicians who play an exciting variety of music ranging from Salsa to Funk to Brazilian to Straight Ahead Jazz.

Guitarist Jim Stubblefield is a perennial local favorite. His stunning performance of Concierto de Aranjuez, is featured in a new release, The Voice of the Guitar, a collection of Jazz, Flamenco, and New Age. The Jim Stubblefield Group is finishing up another new album, Rhythms of the Heart.

Radio personality, James Janisse of jazz station KLON, will serve as the master of ceremonies at this year's Jazz On The Green III. "I am truly honored to be a part of these festivities," said James who will be emceeing the event for the second year in a row.

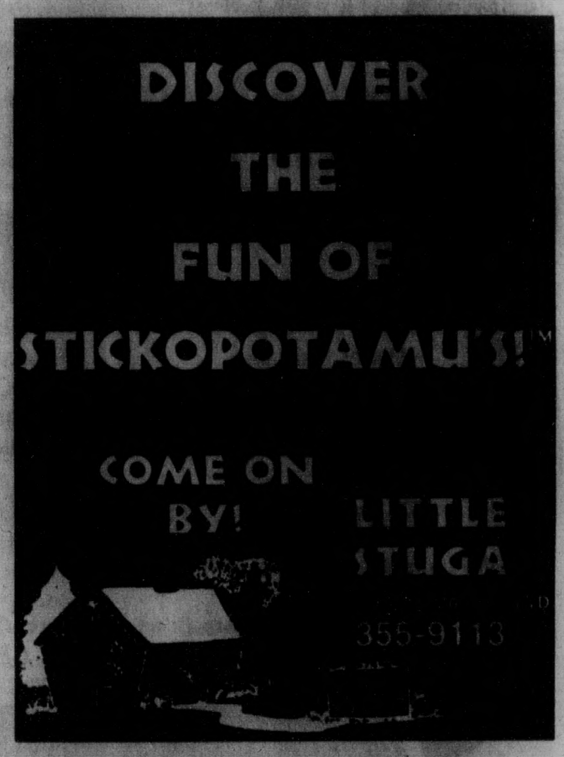
The afternoon of jazz will feature games and activities for children. Delicious food and beverages (including wine and beer) will be available. However, picnic baskets are permitted.

Parking at the event is free. Guests will be provided a shuttle service to the grounds from the lower level parking lot. They are also asked to bring their own chairs or blankets since seating will be "on the green".

This year's entrance fee is only $12.50. Children under 14 are free. Groups of ten or more can purchase tickets at the Sierra Madre Library for only $10 each. tickets will be on sale at the Sierra Madre Library and at the event. Tickets can be purchased by mail be sending a check to the Friends of the Sierra Madre Library, P.O. Box 334, Sierra Madre, CA, 91024. Information on the event can be obtained by calling (626) 355-3760.

The event, which is being organized by the Friends of the Sierra Madre Library, is being chaired by Carol Canterbury and Christine Soldate. Other committee members include Helena Czepiec, David Johnston, Pam Kelly, Shirley McGuillicuddy, Toni Moran, Denise Oen, and Rob Stockly.

This year's corporate sponsor is Lexus Corporation.



"Hub To Meet

Do you have a home-based business? "Hub" (an acronym for Home-Based Business) is a new club for people who have home-based businesses...to meet, network, learn, contribute. Sponsored by the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce. Our first meeting is for lunch, Wednesday, September 30, 12 noon, at the Only Place in Town, 110 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre. The speaker is Mary Wulf, an Arcadia business planning consultant. Cost of lunch is $10 per person. To make a reservation to attend the Hub lunch meeting, call the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce at 355-5111 no later than Monday, September 28th.

Suspect Convicted

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Sheriff's Deputies on another matter, however, Rodriguez' luck had run out, and he was taken into custody.

"Fortunately, we were able to obtain a conviction," said Caroline Peck, the prosecuting attorney who handled the case against Rodriguez. "Additional evidence pointed at the defendants, as well as the description given to officer Colpitts at the time of the incident, led to the case against Rodriguez."

Peck noted that every case is different with respect to sentencing, and Rodriguez' fate is at the discretion of the judge in the case. He faces a maximum of 15 years in prison.

"I have mixed emotions," says Hammond. "I'm glad that they caught the man. I really hope that he takes the opportunity to turn his life around, and not just say to himself, 'Well, I should have killed the guy'. I hope it's not too late for him to straighten out."

Pioneer Day's Sidewalk Sale

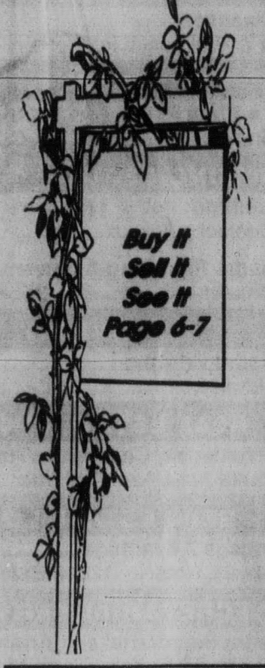
Will be held on Saturday, October 3, 1998 from 9:30 a.m. till closing. Sponsored by the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce.

Rotary, Interact Clubs To Hold "Pioneer Days 1998" Dinner-Dance

The second annual "Pioneer Days" dinner-dance will be co-sponsored by the Rotary and Interact clubs of Sierra Madre. To be held Saturday night, Oct. 17, the dinner-dance will be in Kersting Court from 5:30-10 p.m.

Members of the Interact Club, a recently formed service club composed of high school students from the community, will serve a delicious dinner of Santa Maria tri-tip sandwiches, salad, side dishes, soft drink and dessert for $12 ($8 for kids under 12). Dinners will be served from 5:30-8:00 p.m., with food available a la cart after 8 o'clock. Full dinners will be limited, so advance purchase of dinner tickets is strongly encouraged. Pre-event dinner tickets will be available at Webb-Martin Re-

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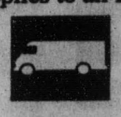
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Sierra Madre Library Good Used Book Sale

The October Good Used Book Sale will hold its annual special preview night for members of the Friends of the Sierra Madre library, Thursday, October 1 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Memberships may be purchased at the door.

The sale which features thousands of quality books at bargain prices will be open to the general public on Friday, October 2 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday, October 3 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The sale is located in the library basement at 440 West Sierra Madre Blvd.

To preview some of the offerings available at the sale, visit the display case at the front of the library. The exhibit, which was artistically arranged by Friends' board member Shirley McGillicuddy, includes representative books which are sure to delight readers of all tastes.

For history buffs, there is "As 'Pop' Saw It Photographs of the San Joaquin Valley of Claude C. 'Pop' Laval" for $7.50. For fans of popular fiction, pickup the hardback edition of "The Running Jury" by John Grisham for $3.00, while most paperbacks are available for 10 for $1.00. For cooks or cookbook collectors, there is the "California Poppycoctions Cookbook" for $1.00.

The sale will also feature multiple sets of encyclopedias, art books, and books from the libraries of local estates.

"On Friday evening, the doors will once again open one hour earlier to accommodate the large number of people who enjoy shopping," according to Terry Bing, co-chair of the used book sale.

"The exclusive preview night is held annually in October to show our members how much the library appreciates their support. We hope that the community takes this opportunity to join or rejoin the Friends." urged Sandra Penrod, president of the Friends of the Sierra Madre Library.

All proceeds from the Used Book Sale go to support library activities and to buy books, magazines and software.

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Mon., Sept. 14, 1998
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Tues., Sept. 15, 1998
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Wed., Sept. 16, 1998
11:59 p.m.: Medical Call, 200 blk S. Mountain Tr., patient transported to Arcadia Methodist Hospital.

Thurs., Sept. 17, 1998
1:41 p.m.: Medical Call, 500 blk W. Orange Grove Ave., patient transported to St. Luke Hospital

Fri., Sept. 18, 1998
7:40 a.m.: Service Call, 400 N. Lima St., electrical odor.

4:48 p.m.: Medical Call, 100 blk N. Baldwin Ave. patient transported to Arcadia Methodist Hospital.

8:10 p.m.: Medical Call, 200 blk W. Sierra Madre Blvd., patient left in own care.

Sat., Sept. 19, 1998
8:12 a.m.: Medical Call, 100 blk S. Sunnyside Ave., patient left in own care.

12:22 p.m.: Medical Call, 200 blk W. Sierra Madre Blvd., patient transported to Arcadia Methodist Hospital.

5:24 p.m.: Medical Call, 300 blk E. Highland Ave., patient transported to Arcadia Methodist Hospital.

7:16 p.m.: Medical Call, 400 blk Manzanita Ave., patient assist only.

Sun., Sept. 20, 1998
10:40 a.m.: Medical Call, 400 blk N. Canon Dr., patient transported to St. Luke Hospital.

11:56 a.m.: Medical Call, 400 blk W. Highland Ave., patient transported to Arcadia Methodist Hospital.

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Event limited to 500 entries, (first-come, first-served basis). NO REFUNDS. Event packets, including pre-registration participants, are only issued at check-in on event day. Packets include event number, route and t-shirt. Please make checks payable to: City of Sierra Madre, c/o Pioneer Days Historic 5K, 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024. Send a self-addressed stamped envelope to receive entry confirmation. Pre-registration deadline Friday, October 16, at 12:00 p.m.

START Events begin at 8:00 a.m. with Kids Fun-Run (Kids 12 & under) and 5K Fun-Run-Walk (Kids 13 & over) concludes at 10:00 a.m. Participants are reminding the finish area that they will not receive an official time.

EVENT COURSE

The race begins at Mater Dei High School, 160 N. Canon, proceeds west past the R. Waldo Ward Ranch, proceed west across Highland by Sierra Madre Elementary School, up Jameson Court across Grandview, up Sunnyside, across Fairview and up Grove to Bailey Canyon. Continuing on Carter passing the Wisteria Vine (which holds the record for the largest blooming vine in the Guinness Book of World Records), over to Auburn down to Olive Avenue, across E. Alegria and back to Mater Dei High School. The route passes over 16 historic Sierra Madre properties, several of which are on the State of California's Historic landmark registry. Emergency support will be deployed at strategic points along the course to give any necessary aid. Local Boy and Cub Scout troops will provide water at the half way mark at Carter and Lima.

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Signature _____ Date _____

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Closter Of Historic Homes on Fun/Walk

By Phyllis Chapman

On Sunday, October 18, beginning at 8:00 a.m., when people take to the streets for the Pioneer Day 5K Fun/Run/Walk, they will pass a closter of historic homes on the route that are located just within a block of each other. The first is the Bartlett House with the address of 145 Grove, at the corner of W. Highland. It was built in 1890 and was a boarding house run by Mr. & Mrs. Bartlett. One Thanksgiving a windstorm tore through Sierra Madre and the house was blown off its foundation.

Just beyond, at 427 W. Highland, is the Decker House. This is now a modern home. When the property was developed in the late 1980's the original house, built in 1891 by Almarian Decker, was to be saved and restored. This did not happen and only a small portion of the front facade was kept and incorporated into the new home. Although the house is gone, it is important to remember Decker, a brilliant electrical engineer, who contributed much in his short lifetime.

He had several inventions to his credit, such as a safety break for elevators, and improved process for electroplating. His greatest contribution was that he devised a way to transmit electricity long distances. Even Westinghouse thought it could not be done, but it worked. He established a world's record for commercial long distance electrical transmissions. This meant reaching customers no matter how far they were from a generating plant.

Decker came to California in 1988 suffering from tuberculosis. For a time his health improved. He was able to work and to build that 1891 house. He designed the electrical system for the Mt. Lowe Railway, the world's first mountain trolly line. He also worked on Mt. Lowe's Great Incline Railway with its 62 per cent grade. By this time, his health had declined again. He lived in a tent at the work site and had to be carried on a stretcher daily to oversee the work. He died much to soon in 1893.

Nearby is the Lockhart House at 443 W. Highland. This 1885 house was built for Mrs. MaryAnn Lockhart by her son, David, and daughter, Adda, almost entirely by their own hands. Mrs. Lockhart had come here from Ohio and was Almarian Decker's mother-in-law. When he became ill, she encouraged him and her daughter to move to warmer California.

David Lockhart worked

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New "Teen Book Club" At Library

Sign up now! for the next "Teen Book Club" session at the Sierra Madre Library, if you are in grade 7 and up. You read four or five books (which you get for free!), and you meet once a week to discuss them. You write a Teen Book Review Newsletter. You play games. And, you get great snacks.

The Club meets Thursdays from 4-5 p. m. at the Youth Activity Center, 186 W. Highland Ave. in Sierra Madre. The next session will be from October 15 to January 14, 1999. Please register at the Library by October 1st.

This new Library program, unique in this area, is the newer-newest creation of Cathy Ryne, Young Adult Librarian. She selects the books from area middle and high school reading lists, hoping that the reading will coincide with English classes. "This is an excellent way for students to start-or-increase their personal libraries," Ms. Ryne points out. "And the Club ties in well with Sierra Madre's other new activities for teenager."

Readers in the summer session of the Club said the meetings are "fun" and the books are "pretty good." They finished five books, including the classic Watership Down and the popular Into Thin Air.

The program is sponsored by the Sierra Madre Civic Club.

The Sierra Madre Public Library is at 440 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. For further information , please call 355-7186 after 11 a.m.

Running Like The Wind

By James R. (Rusty) Pratley

As Kenny Allen and I both walked to Woodrow Wilson High School, as we lacked the dime to take the bus or the street car and we lived almost directly across the street from each other, San Gabriel Court, it was only natural, that we forged a bond that lasted into our late teens.

Playing trumpet in the band as I did, I had the dubious chore of carrying the instrument both ways so that I could practice and annoy the neighbors, as I was anything but musical. Being burdened by this addition to what few books I took home for study and homework, created some fanciful footwork on my part to get Kenny to carry the trumpet at least half way, which he seemed to do without too many complaints.

On the way home however, we were always in a hurry to inspect our figure four trap, set in the wild area along the wash just east of the local cemetery. At this time, Sierra Madre was developed only to a point eastward to the cemetery, with the local dairy nestled at the

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Corp Tennis Tournament

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watched the other players warm up, the saying seemed to fit. I couldn't find the weak player on the court. Worse yet, as 8:10 turned to 8:20 and then 8:30 and 8:40, guess how many other players showed up? You got it, an even (odd) seven, meaning that they needed an alternate.

In my group, which consisted of Dennis Johnson, Bud Sampson, Ken Walker, Steve Stapenhorst, Vince Verlangieri, Terry Sanderson, Frank Von Dongen, and myself, I kept waiting for the easy match. It never came. When Dennis and I lost the first set 7-1, I knew I was up a very deep creek, particularly since Dennis won the tournament the last time he played.

I was asked at one point where I had gotten my racket, and responded that a more relevant question was WHEN I had gotten it. The loan of a 20th century racket from The Only Place in Town owner Terry Sanderson, who makes tennis look awfully easy and can say many kind words while beating the tar out of you on the court, made the latter part of the tournament slightly more respectable, but the cold, hard truth is, I was badly outclassed. My favorite hobbies of reading, playing cards, and going to movies didn't help much. As Tara Schultz observed later, "That's pretty sedentary, Dan."

When Walker bounced a serve off of Johnson's (his teammate) head in a match against me, I consoled myself by saying, "Well, no matter how many games I lose, at least I didn't do THAT." Approximately 17 minutes later, I sent a serve directly into MY teammate, Verlangieri. Fortunately for Vince, I don't think my serves had enough on them that it was painful, even though it was a first serve.

The bottom line: A heck of a lot of fun (which my body regretted for the next three days) and a tremendous respect, particularly for Sanderson, Stapenhorst, Walker, and Johnson, who are all phenomenal players. Von Dongen, Sampson, and Verlangieri were all pretty good, themselves. I rallied to finish 9-7 over the last two sets (thanks in large part to having Sanderson and Walker as teammates in the final two sets) which propelled me into a tie for 7th, and I was lucky to get there. At least I got my exercise for the year, and it's only September.



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On Stage



By Mary Cogswell-Baum

Original History at TA

The new original play at Theater Americana is "The Stagehand" by Joseph Robinette. It is laid in a "rehearsal facility" near Washington, D.C. in the spring of 1866, about one year after the assassination of Abraham Lincoln. The leader of a theatrical troupe, one Wilton Porter, is starting rehearsals for the kind of performance quite common in the period, a reenactment of sensational news story of the day. His cast is a large one, nine people, and he asks each one to tell where he or she happened to be when the news came of Lincoln's death.

As they speak, they introduce themselves, five women and four men, and we get a glimpse of the actors themselves, a miscellaneous lot: a Southern belle, a run-away farm girl, a Northern deserter, etc.

Their short monologs are nicely delivered, but leave them something of a blur, and when they turn up suitably disguised in their various roles one tends to lose track of which is which.

Porter, the director and lead actor in the role of John Wilkes Booth, also narrates giving many historical details of the assassination and the subsequent search for those responsible while the actors each play several parts in acting out the story.

There is another plot also, concerning the identity of one lady who seems more experienced than the others? Who is she, wonders Porter, even as he takes advantage of her obvious interest in him.

When he finds out, the two engage in a shouting match that unfortunately partially obscures the details of another intricate plot line, which leaves the audience confused again and not quite sure just when the play is over.

There is another twist to hold your attention. It seems that the Stagehand is a real historic character who was working at Ford's Theater on the fatal night and had the best view of all as to just what happened.

The play certainly doesn't lack interest. Norman Dostal is the self-confident Wilton Porter, Lisa Matale is the mysterious lady and Lesley Tesh, Elizabeth Finn, Jeff Haas, Kathy Anderson and Pam Gomez, as everybody else, do a fine job. Manuel Scates wins sympathy as the Stagehand, and Barry Schwam is a remarkably convincing Lincoln.

Director Roxanne Barker does her best to keep the story clear, and the period is well established by the many authentic costumes from Starmakers.

"The Stagehand" plays on Friday and Saturday evenings through Oct 10 in Heicher Hall at the Altadena Congregational Church on Altadena Drive a block west of Lake Ave. in Altadena. Call 683-1740 for information.

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Jim Brogan is stand up comic, respected writer, and the talent coordinator for "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno." A cover story in The Los Angeles Times Magazine called him "the joke scientist - Jim Brogan can tell you more than if something is funny. He can tell you why." Jay Leno tests all of his jokes for the night's monologue on Brogan.

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Jill Mitchell and Joe La Gue

"Love Letters" At Sierra Madre Playhouse

Jill Mitchell and Joe La Gue will appear in a special added attraction of A R. Gurney's "Love Letters" at the newly renovated Sierra Madre Playhouse on Saturday, September 26, 1998 at 2:30 p.m. and Sunday, September 27, 1998, at 7:00.

Jill and Joe will be performing "Love Letters" on Saturday, September 26th at 2:30 p.m. and Sunday, September 27th at 7:00 p.m. in Sierra Madre Playhouse. For Info phone number is (626) 355-4318.





To See- Or Not To See

By Karol Ballard

Simon Birch

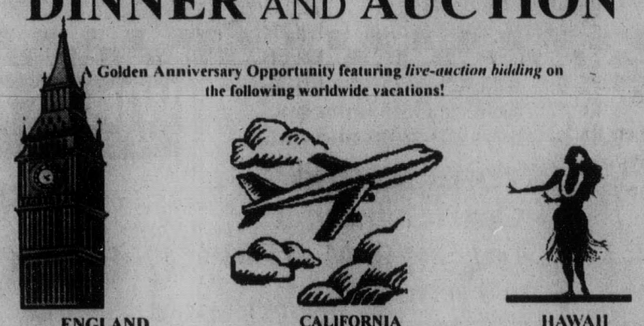
Ian Michael Smith, Joseph Mazzello, Oliver Platt, David Straithairn, Ashley Judd

Inspired by the novel, "A Prayer for Owen Meany," an undersized boy and his best friend each has his own cross to bear, but together they face the slings and arrows of fate. In the title role, Smith is alternately endearing, pompous, and boys-will-be-boys disgusting as he pursues his physical and theological quests. Judd is perfect as the best friend's mom - and the object of Simon's true love. Platt also is an exception to the rule that grown-ups are just a bunch of grumpy old fools. This film ably gives the spectrum, then balance, of the dark and light of life. Some may call it manipulation. Some may just advise you to bring Kleenex (or wear long sleeves) and enjoy the tale.

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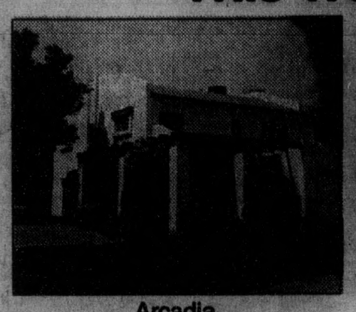


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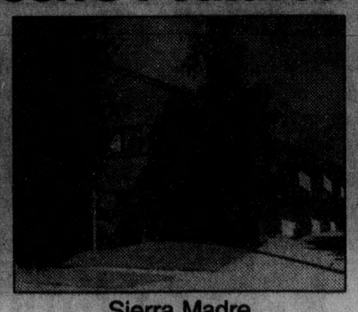
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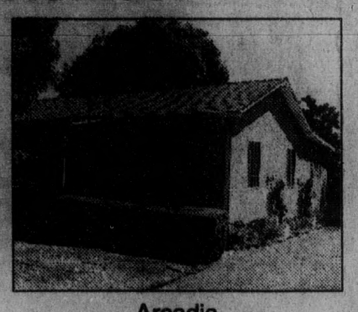
This Week's Featured Homes!



Arcadia
Extra Spacious
This 1835 sq.ft. Arcadia Townhome features 3 Bdrms, Dining room, builtings, central air & heat, fireplace, and 2.5 Baths w/Jacuzzi tub. Lush private backyard patio.
$239,900



Sierra Madre
Great Treat
Located in the heart of Sierra Madre this 1877 sq.ft. townhome features 3 Bdrms, Dining area, central air & heat, builtins, fireplace, and 2.5 Baths. small & quiet complex.
$269,000



Arcadia
Baldwin Stocker Schools
Mint condition home on quiet Arcadia cul-de-sac street. 3 Bdrms, Dining area, central air & heat, above ground pool, and 1.75 Baths. Situated on a 11,822 sq.ft. lot.
$299,900

Arcadia
Expandable Home
ThisNorth Arcadia Home features 2 Bdrms, Dining area, and fireplace. Large 9,000 sq. ft. lot. Highland Oaks schools. Newly painted inside and out.
$228,000

Pasadena
2 Houses On A Lot
Live in one and rent the other. Located in Monrovia, front house has 3 Bdrms, Dining area, Remodeled Kitchen, frplce, and 1.5 Baths. Back House has 2 Bdrms & 1 Bth.
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Altadena
Gracious Living
This Altadena home is ideal for entertaining. Features 2 Bdrms, Dining room, den, central air & heat, fireplace, and private patio. Mountain & city views.
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Monrovia
Built in 1989
Victorian style on the outside- new on the inside. This 3,000 sq. ft. North Monrovia home features 4 Bdrms, Dining room, Family room, Builtins, central air & heat, and 3.5 Baths.
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Arcadia
Entertain in Style
Gourgeous 4 Bdrm home on a 1/2 acre lot in Arcadia, features Dining room, family room, den, bonus room, builtins w/full wet bar, central air & heat, 2 fireplaces, pool, and 3.5 Baths.
$649,000

Arcadia
New Executive Home
This Brand New Mur-Sol built home in Arcadia features 6 Bdrms, Dining room, Gourmet Kitchen with Builtins, central air & heat, central vacuum system, security system, fireplace and 4 Baths.
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Suzanne Wheeler "On-A-Roll" for Webb-Martin — Leader in Sales For September



Suzanne Wheeler

Even in a booming real estate market that has agents everywhere busier than ever, Suzanne (Sue) Wheeler is wowing everyone!

Judy Webb-Martin has announced that, for the month of September-to-date, Sue Wheeler is the top agent at Webb-Martin Realtors in terms of residential sales activity. "Sue is performing above and beyond Webb-Martin's (and her own) ambitious sales projections. In an already brisk, fast-paced market with a very tight inventory, she is working harder than ever and, as always, is going the 'extra mile' to serve her clients"

An example of Wheeler's success in seizing current market opportunities is that she recently secured seven separate listings in a consecutive two-day period. She also sold two properties for a colleague who was on vacation at the time. In addition, a client recently presented very specific, special requirements they wanted in a condominium complex. With nothing in the "for sale inventory" that matched, Wheeler knocked on doors until she found just the right condominium and a homeowner who, it turned out, was interested in selling. The extra effort resulted in a great match and a very happy buyer and seller.

In terms of client service, Wheeler says "sometimes it may just seem like

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Photo Caption: (l-r) Jim Ciccol & West J. DeYoung

Celebrity Chefs

Recently, Jim Ciccolo, (Preferred Mortgage Alliance) joined West J. DeYoung, (a sales associate with Dilbeck Realtors Better Homes & Garden's Pasadena office) as guest celebrity chefs. The two prepared culinary delights such as, eggplant & spinach crepes, seafood lasagna, homemade creme brulee and chocolate peanut butter terrine, just to name a few. The event that benefited the Pasadena Foothills Association of Realtor's annual **Can Tree** fund, also featured Maria Cacarnakis and her son Nick as bartenders for the evening.



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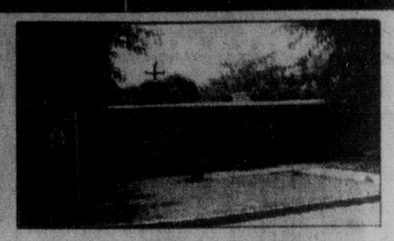
Formal Dining Room. Family Room. Newer Kitchen & Roof. Skylights. 3 BR, 2 Baths. Lovely yard & Landscaping. RV Parking. View. Circle Concrete Drive. Great Curb Appeal.

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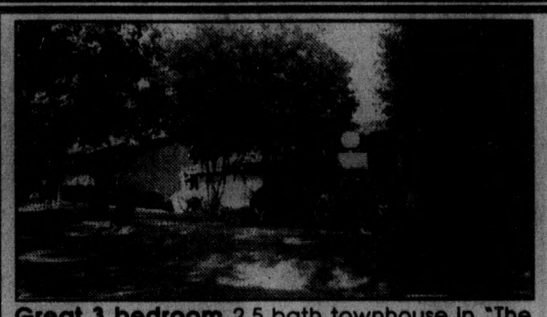
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Great 3 bedroom 2.5 bath townhouse in "The Meadows". Wonderful complex with lots of trees, pool and putting green. **$239,000**

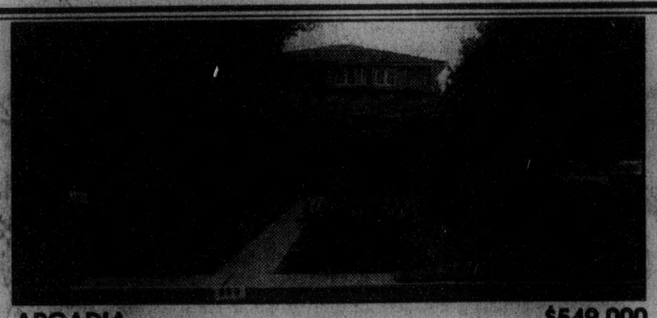
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Charming canyon retreat featuring 2 bedrooms, den, 2 baths, new tile floors, cathedral ceilings, 2 fireplaces and new paint. Stream runs thru yard with foot bridge. **$288,000**



Lovely 2-story home with lots of personality. Features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, remodeled kitchen, family room, formal dining room, 2 fireplaces and upstairs den with large balcony. 2-car garage plus RV parking. **$345,000**



ARCADIA **$549,000**
Traditional 4 BR, 3.75 bath Lower Rancho home remodeled in 1985. Second floor master suite & sitting rm. Artist's studio/office. French doors, floor moldings & charming accents galore.
(PSC 638561) **445-6701**

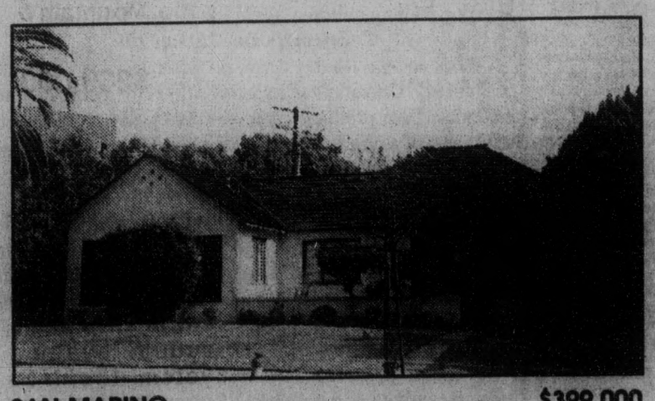
SIERRA MADRE **$1,375,000**
Located in the Sierra Madre Foothills, this landmark 3 story craftsman is currently being restored. Approx. 8,591 sq. ft. on .58 acre view property. Final interior design will be determined by buyer. 17-20 rooms. May be purchased also unfinished.
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ARCADIA **$874,900**
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PASADENA **$299,000**
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DUARTE **$79,000**
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Futures Planning Associates
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Luis De Guzman Jr.
115 W. California Blvd., #191, Pasadena, CA 91105
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98-09401
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The City of Sierra Madre gives notice, pursuant to State of California law, that the Planning Commission will conduct the following public hearing at their regularly scheduled meeting of October 15, 1998. The Planning Commission meets at 7:30 p.m., in the City Council Chambers of the Sierra Madre City Hall - 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024.
1. Municipal Code Text Amendment (MCTA 98-4) regarding home occupations
Applicant: City of Sierra Madre
Project Location: citywide
The Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to consider proposed revisions to Chapters 5.04, (Business Licenses) 5.08, (Business License Fees) and 17.20 (R-1 Development Standards) regarding the standards, criteria, allowable uses and similar items for the practice of home occupations. Home occupations are addressed in the following chapters of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code: 5.04, 5.08, and 17.20. The proposed project is consistent with the City of Sierra Madre General Plan.
ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:
An initial study was conducted on the above project and it was determined that the project qualifies for a Negative Declaration, pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
Note:
If in the future anyone wishes to challenge the decision of the Planning Commission in court, one may be limited to raising the issues that were raised or presented in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or before the scheduled public hearing. For further information, please contact the Development Services Department at (626) 355-7135
By order of the Planning Commission
Brian K. Lee,
Director of Development Services
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98-09402
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The City of Sierra Madre gives notice, pursuant to State of California law, that the Planning Commission will conduct the following public hearing at their regularly scheduled meeting of October 15, 1998. The Planning Commission meets at 7:30 p.m., in the City Council Chambers of the Sierra Madre City Hall - 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024.
1. Parcel May 98-1 (P.M.. 98-1)
Applicant: Chris Mitrovich
Project Location: 125 East Mira Monte
The Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to consider a request to subdivide an approximate 46,000 square foot site into two approximate 15,000 square foot lots and one approximate 16,000 square foot lot at East Mira Monte Avenue.
ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:
An initial study was conducted on the above project and it was determined that the project qualifies for a Negative Declaration, pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
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HOROSCOPES

September 24-30

Aries - March 21/April 20
Try not to be too difficult with others this week. Be more understanding and less critical. Giving a show of affection will be a much-appreciated treat to a loved one starving for your attention. A favor you once did for someone will be returned in an odd way. Finances look good.

Taurus - April 21/May 21
Don't make promises you know you can't keep or you could end up hurting a loved one. Learn to say "no." Minor problems that crop up at work could end up being a lesson for future projects. Policy could be changed for the better. Emotions and business are a bad combination.

Gemini - May 22/June 21
A long-term plan may have to be revised because of an unexpected mishap. Let creative thinking be your guide. A friend's actions may be the source of disappointment. Don't take it personally. There could be motive of which you are not aware. Dress your best on Saturday.

Cancer - June 22/July 22
Think twice before borrowing money from a relative. There could be more to pay back than you realize. A troubled friend will need your shoulder to cry on. A few kind words will go a very long way. Education and learning play a major role towards the end of the week. Be open to new ideas.

Leo - July 23/August 23
A busier-than-usual social schedule may interfere with work and household tasks. While these things are not as much fun as socializing, you will have to tend to them at one point or another. Something will have to give. Single Leos could be faced with a complex and difficult decision.

Virgo - Aug 24/Sept 22
A recent disagreement with a loved one will weigh heavily on your mind. Instead of holding a grudge, think of a way to smooth things over. This is especially true if you're involved with a Taurus. Be constructive rather than destructive. Your eye for detail saves the day on an important project.

Libra - Sept 23/Oct 23
Let your aggressive side take over in business matters. Take the initiative and you will make things happen. A few late nights are sure to pay off. A good time for closeness and romance. A loved one will surprise you with an extra-special treat. Be sure to show your appreciation. Keep an eye on spending.

Scorpio - Oct 24/Nov 22
A stubborn attitude will get you nowhere Ä especially in the workplace. Resistance to change will only prolong the agony. Cooperation is not such a bad thing, you'll see. A favorite possession that has been lost for some time will finally show up. Romantic moments are in store.

Sagittarius - Nov 23/Dec 21
Too-high expectations will put a major strain on a romantic relationship Ä especially if it is relatively new. Be realistic or you could let a good thing get away. If you have an important meeting scheduled, be sure to give yourself extra time. Young children are in the picture this week.

Capricorn - Dec 22/Jan 20
Work and day-to-day activities will consume your time and energy. Consider taking a day off just to recharge your batteries. Your productivity level could go up 100 percent! Thoughts of a past love make you nostalgic for a time long ago. Can you be the person you once were?

Aquarius - Jan 21/Feb 18
Upsetting news regarding a close friend will make you grateful for what you have. You may be asked to give your time to someone in need. Look at things from the outside to see what you're really up against. A financial decision needs to be made. Don't procrastinate!

Pisces - Feb 19/March 20
A can-do attitude is what you need to succeed in business. Negativity will only lead to unhappiness and possible failure. Be positive and you'll get far. Your deep, emotional side may be too heavy for a loved one. Keep to yourself if you're feeling moody. Plans could be cancelled this weekend.

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Arcadia Hosts First Town Forum

By Dan Oakes

Arcadia City Council chambers were packed last night, as Arcadians turned out en masse to attend Arcadia's first Town Forum. Mayor Gary Kovacic said, "It is my hope that tonight's experiment will be positive and a productive look at Arcadia's future."

Kovacic moderated the forum, which consisted of a series of exchanges between residents and a panel comprised of: Marian Chiechi, A.H.S. Student Body President; Bill Kelly, Arcadia City Manager; S.H Wen, Human Resources Commissioner; Gail Jensen, Youth Master Plan Committee Chairperson; Craig Lucas, Director of Methodist Hospital; Leticia Pacillas, Executive Director of the Arcadia Chamber of Commerce; Mary Ann Gibson, Arcadia Unified School District Board of Trustees President; Nancy Miner, Chair of the Arcadia Senior Citizens Commission; Ronnie Garner, Arcadia Police Chief, and Annie Yuen, 1st Vice President of the Arcadia Chinese Association.

Mayor Kovacic began the program by setting the basic ground rules (avoid repitition, be concise, etc.) and narrating a brief video presentation of Arcadia from a variety of facets, focusing on the many positives. The format was broken into two main areas: What is good about Arcadia (and how can we preserve/enhance it?), and what needs to be improved about Arcadia (and how do we achieve those improvements?)

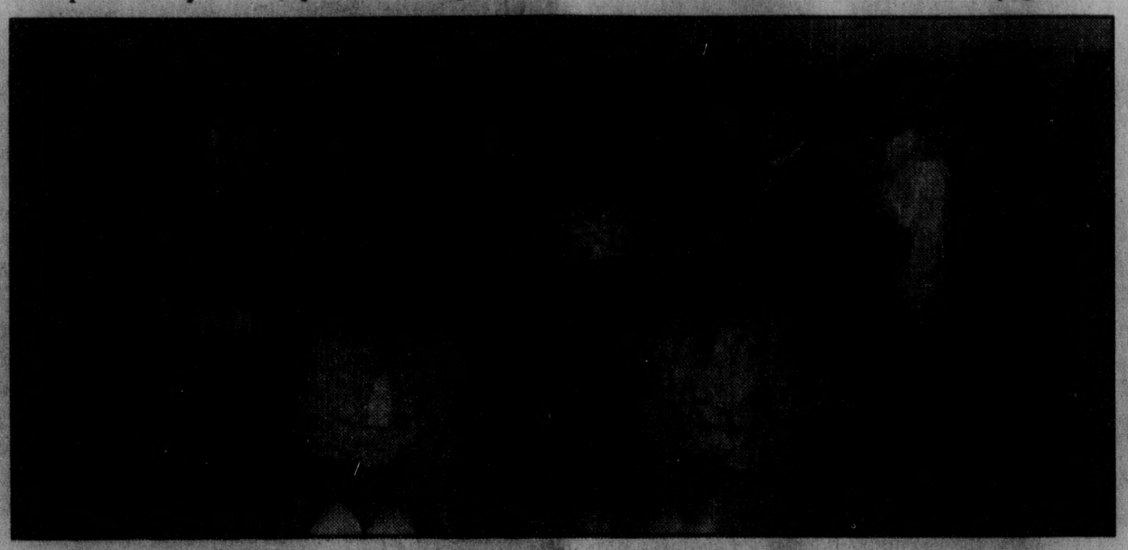
"What's good about Arcadia?" was a question that drew a variety of responses, which included the following: The school system, peacocks (to which Kovacic quipped, "That may show up on the other list), neighbors, the County Park, the Mayor (to which Kovacic quickly added, "That may show up on the other list, too."), the Library, volunteerism, the Arboretum, a great hospital, and more.

Kovacic then took some of the comments from the floor, and asked panelists to elaborate on them, or to answer with specific suggestions as to how those things could be enhanced.

Some of the key responses included Bill Kelly's, when asked to elaborate on a comment from one audience member that Arcadia was an independent city. "That affects the level of service a city can provide," said Kelly. "The alternative is a contract city. Because the employees in Arcadia work for you day in, day out, there's a confidence, and a predictability."

When asked how business growth could be enhanced, Pacillas responded, "It's important to keep abreast and informed with the largest employers in the city. Keep your eyes open. Do they need a new location? If you find out in advance, you can help them relocate in the city,

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Pictured front row L to R: Lydia Sun, Ada Scofield, Ettelene Whipple, Diana Ball, Irene Yamagata-Bermudaz. Back Row: L to R: Dan Carrillo, Peter Loeffler, Elmer Black, Jim thomas, Association President; Dave Scarminach, MLS chairman; Shirley Schuhmacher, Al Luna, Maureen Chaplin. Not pictured: Terry Earll May Rahmanian, Joan O'Rourke, and Bill Lewis.

Arcadia Association of Realtors Elected to Special Honor Roll

By Dan Oakes

The Arcadia Board of Realtors was recently elected to the Association Advance American Honor Roll, a national awards competition sponsored by the American Society of Association Executives, in Washington, D.C. The award was given for the Multiple Listing Service Committee, whose Chairman is Dave Scarminach of Baldwin Realty.

Arcadia Board of Realtors Executive Vice President Mary Rovarino nominated the Committee for the award, based on a few criteria, such as: Does it benefit the community? Is it effective? Is it good for the association?

The Multiple Listing Service Sessions are weekly meetings to provide networking and marketing opportunities between different association realtors, with more substance than simply a listing sheet. "One of our agents may have a buyer," explains Rovarino "and if he goes to these sessions, something an agent says about a property may strike him in the way that he knows it's a perfect match. It bring buyers and sellers closer together to help our realtors to business."

In addition to the more personal opportunity to familiarize other realtors with listings, agents also benefit from the timeliness of the regular meetings. Listings which may have come up too recently to be put on a listing sheet may be marketed through the personal face-to-face marketing sessions.

The meetings have been going on at Arcadia Board of Realtors for years, and attendance remains high. There's no doubt in Rovarino's mind that the meetings are an effective marketing tool. The sessions have seen vistitors from the California Association of Realtors, as well as neighboring local associations. "Imitation is the highest form of flattery," she says, noting that other agencies take tips from the Arcadia Board's successful program. One of the little improvements made over the years, for instance, was to put the properties on transparencies, which works out much better than photographs.

The Multiple Listing Service Committee was presented the award by Arcadia Board of Realtors President Jim Thomas is a ceremony yesterday morning. "Individually, the Arcadia Association of REALTORS program is impressive for its focus and impact. It embodies the powerful reach associations have in making our country a better place in which to live," said American Society of Association Executives President R. William Taylor, CAE. "It is an honor and inspiration to showcase this excellent program."

Committee Chairman Dave Scarmanach is credited with being instrumental in fine tuning and changing the sessions for the advantage of all REALTORS. The Committee keeps abreast of new ideas and developments, and brings new suggestions forward in order to keep the Association in the forefront of the industry.



Methodist Hospital To Open New Berger Tower

Arcadia Methodist Hospital of Southern California will open its five-story Nor and Fran Berger Tower to public view and patient care over a two-week period beginning September 28th.

The new Tower, located adjacent to Methodist Hospital's existing facility, is the first major building project in California to incorporate newly patented steel-frame connection technology that should greatly increase resistance to potential earthquake damage. The structure defines new standards for state-of-the-art construction, program flexibility and seismic safety and performance. In addition, the Tower is a showcase for the latest patient care technology, and a symbol of the hospital's continued commitment to provide optimal care to San Gabriel Valley residents.

"Patients will enjoy spacious single care-rooms that facilitate healing and allow them to interact with hospital staff and family members in a private environment," said Jonathan Sprecher, vice president of Clinical Services. All rooms are fully equipped for bedside access to highly sophisticated medical equipment, as well as an advanced call system that increases nurse responsiveness to patient needs.

"When a patient activates the new nurse call system, the call goes directly to the secretary at a nearby station," explains Cathy Klose, RN, director of Medical/Surgical Nursing. "Each nurse wears a small badge and can be instantly located in any room. Alerted by a small light and a quiet tone through the audio channel, the nurse can establish immediate voice contact with their patient."

The Nor and Fran Berger Tower, named for generous contributors to the Methodist Hospital Foundation, will be the scene of media, donor, employee and physician events, culminating in a community health fair and open house on Saturday, October 10, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Methodist Hospital of Southern California, an affiliate of Southern California Healthcare Systems, is a 347-bed, not-for-profit organization dedicated to the provision of the highest quality healthcare - including cardiovascular and cancer care, emergency and surgical services, maternity, pediatrics, orthopedics, diagnostic imaging and psychiatry - to the residents of the city of Arcadia and the surrounding communities of the San Gabriel Valley.

Arcadia Police Calls

Wednesday, September 16, 1998

1. At 12:27 p.m., officers were called to Arcadia High School regarding two male students detained for fighting. The victim claimed that during an argument the suspect threatened to kill him and then struck him in the head with a closed fist. The two students exchanged blows and the fight was stopped by a teacher. School personnel indicated that the suspect may be affiliated with a local gang.

2. Around 12:52 p.m., a victim came to the station to report a rape that took place last week. The victim attended a company party at the suspect's home in the 1000 block of El Norte on September 6. She stayed to help the suspect clean up after other guests had left the house, and around 3:00 a.m. the suspect told the victim to sit on the couch because she looked tired. Once on the couch, the suspect made sexual advances. She tried to resist and repeatedly asked him to stop, but the 56-year-old male/Japanese suspect continued. Fearing that he would become physically violent, she submitted. The victim passed out after she was raped, and later awoke to find herself alone in the house. She then ran out of the location and left in her car.

The victim told a friend about the incident and later avoided the suspect at work when he tried to approach her. Nine days later the victim decided to report the crime to police, and she was taken to AMH for an examination. Detectives will conduct the follow-up investigation on this case.

Thursday, September 17, 1998

3. Units responded to the 1100 block of West Duarte around 10:18 p.m. regarding an assault in progress. The 45-year-old male/Asian suspect and his wife filed for divorce about a month ago, but were still living in the same residence with their 16-year old daughter. This evening the suspect told his wife and daughter to move out of the location so another woman could move it. The victims refused and a fight ensued. The suspect choked his wife and struck both females with a closed fist. Officers arrested the suspect and he was booked in the City Jail.

4. Around 12:05 p.m., officers were dispatched to the 1100 block of Arcadia to investigate an audible burglary alarm. Between 8:20 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., unknown supect(s) gained entrance into the residence by using a ladder to access a bedroom window. The victims were uncertain if any items were stolen.

5. Officers were called to the 1000 block of Arcadia at 12:59 p.m. regarding another residential burglary. Suspect(s) entered the residence between 11:00 p.m. and 10:30 a.m. and removed property from the home and vehicles. Total loss is $2100.

6. At 3:50 p.m., officers responded to the 1100 block of South Tenth to investigate an auto versus bicyclist traffic collision. A 10-year-old boy rode his bike into traffic and hit a car. The youngster sustained head trauma and was transported to Huntington Memorial Hospital. Hospital staff indicated that the boy's injuries were not life threatening.

Friday, September 18, 1998

7. Around 7:00 p.m., an officer monitored a broadcast from Monrovia Police regarding a drive-by shooting and descriptions of the suspects and vehicle were provided. The officer observed the vehicle with three male/Hispanic suspects and requested additional units to respond to the area near Tenth and Duarte. The APD officer continued to follow the suspects and a felony stop was made at Santa Anita and Santa Clara with the help of backup officers. Monrovia Police responded to the location and arrested the three suspects.

Sunday, September 19, 1998

8. Around 2:50 a.m., units responded to Denny's in reference to a drunk subject breaking things and throwing objects in the restaurant. The 28-year-old male/Caucasian subject struggled with maintaining his balance and officers detected a strong odor of alcohol. The suspect was escorted outside and it was determined that the suspect was too intoxicated to care for himself. For the suspect's personal safety, officers decided to place him under arrest for being drunk in public. The suspect struggled with officers and refused to comply. To avoid injury to the suspect and officers, OC pepper spray was applied and the suspect was taken into custody without further incident.

9. At 10:50 a.m., APD officers transported a 30-year-old male/Caucasian subject to Apple Valley after officers learned that he was reported missing by his mother. The subject, who has the mental capacity of a six year old, had been staying at AMH since September 15 after he was found loitering by the El Monte Police Department. On September 18, AMH personnel contacted APD and indicated that the subject has been reported as missing out of San Bernardino. The Sheriff's Department was notified and they tried to contact his mother. On September 19, the mother called the Sheriff's Department and informed them that she had no means of picking up her son, so APD officers assisted by transporting the subject.

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Hugo Reid Book Fair

Hugo Reid PTA is kicking off the school year with it's annual Books Fair. Proceeds from this event have benefited the two school libraries. San Marino Toy and Book Shoppe supply a wide variety of books for children of all ages as well as parenting books and gift items.

The Book Fair runs Sunday, October 4 through Thursday, October 8 in the school cafeteria. We hope family, friends and neighbors will all plan to stop in and visit. Using the theme "Anything is possible with a good book". Chairmen Jean Fohrer, Terry Leahy, Liz Westphal, promise that there is something for everyone!



Front Kevin Fohrer back (l-r) Gary Westphal & Caitlyn Leahy - front

Maranatha Fall Fundraiser

Welcome back to Maranatha! We are excited to be continuing our tradition of offering Sees Candies, holiday Evergreens, Poinsettias, and Entertainment Books as sale items for our Fall Fundraiser.

The sale will begin Friday, October 2nd. and run through October 16th. for the Entertainment Books; October 23rd for all other items. The delivery and distribution of sale items will take place at Maranatha, December 1st thru 11th.

We will be sending information home with your student on October 1st. this packet will include all the forms and brochures you'll need to place your orders. Orders should be turned in, with payment, on a weekly basis so you will be eligible for the weekly sales reward. Please make checks payable to Maranatha High School, with student's name and I.D.# on all checks and order forms. Additional order forms are available in the office.

Orders cannot be refunded once the form has been turned in to the school.

Your original order forms will be returned to you at the time you pick up your orders. You are responsible for delivery of your individual orders.

We are looking forward to everyone's participation in this important and traditional fundraiser. This is the PTF's only fundraiser for the year. Please help make this year's Fall event a joyous success.

Women Grocers Of America Announce Scholarship Winners

The Women Grocers of America has awarded seven students pursuing food industry-related degrees $1,000.00 each from the 1998 Mary Macey Scholarship Program.

One of the recipients of the WGA scholarships is Jeffrey C. Provenzano of Arcadia, CA, a sophomore at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, CA.

Provenzano is working on his master's degree in business administration. His family has owned a small store in Ontario, CA, for 15 year; and his goal is to work in the family business in the areas of marketing and human resources management.

Arcadia Resident Receives Mount St. Mary's College Scholarship

Arcadia resident Joycelyn S. Lee has been awarded the prestigious President's Scholarship from Mount St. Mary's College, Los Angeles. A graduate of Arcadia high School, Lee received the scholarship in acknowledgment of her outstanding high school achievements.

The college awards the scholarship on the basis of academic criteria, personal and leadership qualities, participation in activities and an interview. Awards can subsidize up to four full years of tuition, provided that recipients maintain a 3.5 grade point average throughout that time. Lee plans to double major in liberal studies and education.

Mount St. Mary's College is a Catholic, liberal arts college, primarily dedicated to the education of women. The bachelor's degree program is based on the Chalon Campus in Brentwood, and the associate's and master's degree programs are based on the Doheny Campus in Downtown Los Angeles. The college has been ranked one of the top 11 regional schools in the west by U.S. News & World Report in its 1999 America's Best Colleges issue. The College was also recognized as the top private university in the west with respect to maintaining a culturally diverse student body.

First Town Forum

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so they're not forced to leave the city."

Mary Ann Gibson's suggestion for residents keeping the School District's influence helpful was twofold: First, she encouraged volunteerism among residents. Secondly, she encouraged vigilance against a growing trend to take away local control of schools. "Our schools work. We know what we're doing," said Gibson.

In response to the question "What needs improving," answers were, again, varied. Some included: Sidewalks are not level, There should be more recreational facilities for the youth, redevelopment along Live Oak, stop cutting trees for mansionization, traffic near the schools, and more.

Councilmember Gino Roncelli, in attendance, said, "Last weekend, we just had a Greek festival. We could use an Asian festival, to interact and learn about the Asian cultures." Kovacic joked, "I thought you were going to say an Italian festival."

Councilmember Gail Marshal suggested help for smaller businesspeople, and lowering the speed limit on Longden. She also proposed the possibility of different regulations for south Arcadia, with it's differing demographics and lot sizes.

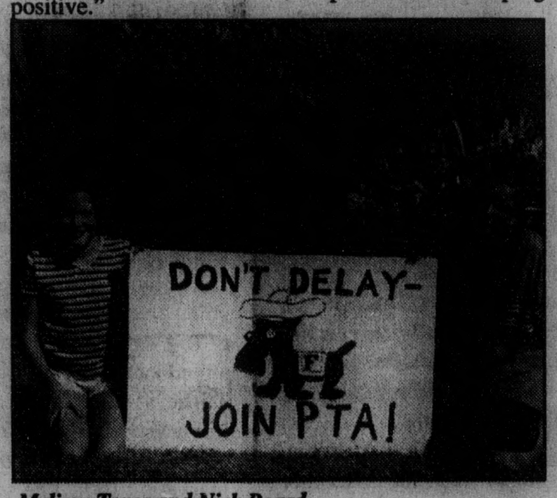
A variety of solutions and ideas was proposed, and the interchange of possibilities made for lively discussion, such as when Jenses called the resurrection of the City Newsletter "vital," and Lucas argued against it, preferring instead to use the Channel 20 bulletin board.

Closing comments from the crowd were positive. Resident Vince Foley noted, "In any other city, the number one issue at a forum like this would be crime. It's a tribute to the great city we live in that nobody has mentioned crime."

Following the forum, Mayor Kovacic, amid congratulations from many in attendance, said, "I thought it was great. I didn't know what to expect, but I was very pleased with the turnout, and with the fact that most of the comments were positive."

Arcadia Chamber Of Commerce

Announces the ribbon cutting event of our newest member "Urban Escape Day Spa" on Friday, September 25th at 10:30 a.m. at 202 S. First Avenue, Arcadia 91006. The host will be Julia Rocks - Owner/Manager, Skin Care & Body Spa Service. The grand opening party will be held on Saturday, September 26, 1998 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.. There will be fun, food, prizes & entertainment by "Elvis"!



Melissa Tauer and Nick Board



John Waltrip, Mayor Gary Kovacic, and other community figures and elected officials' representatives were in attendance as Waltrip's Music officially celebrated its grand reopening.

American Golf Warded 10-Year Lease Renewal From The City Of Arcadia To Operate Arcadia Golf Course

Santa Monica, California based American Golf has been awarded a 10-year lease renewal from the City of Arcadia to operate the beautiful Arcadia golf Course, with a five-year lease extension option. As part of the lease renewal, American Golf — which has managed the course for 11 years — will complete a $550,000 improvement program including renovation of the golf course, practice facility, pro shop and parking lot.

"We are very excited about our capital improvements program, which will make Arcadia Golf Course one of the premier par-3 courses in the area," said General Manager Chad Hackman. "In collaboration with the City of Arcadia, we look forward to continuing our commitment to provide guests with unsurpassed customer service, superb facilities and an overall exceptional golf experience."

Course improvements, which are already underway, include the addition of an automated, electrically controlled irrigation system; addition of an on-course restroom; new tee box construction; and addition of new trees and landscaping, among others. Beginning in October, a fall overseeding program will also be initiated for the first time ever.

Practice facility improvements include installation of a new synthetic surface on the driving range; addition of five new target greens, and enhanced amenities including new range balls, mats, yardage signs and patio tables. "Improvements to our practice facilities, complemented by our extensive player development program, will prove to be an unbeatable combination for new and experienced players alike," says Hackman.

Other enhancements include construction of an arbor way entrance; installation of a new entrance sign, and pro shop upgrades.

Arcadia Golf Course is located at 620 E. Live Oak in Arcadia. For tee time reservations and more information, please call the course at (626) 443-9367.

Santa Monica, California based American Golf is the largest and most experienced operator of golf facilities in the world. The company employs over 18,000 men and women nationwide and operates more than 270 private, resort and daily fee golf courses and practice centers in the United States and United Kingdom.

"Don't Delay - Join PTA!"

It's that time again! Students Melissa Tauer and Nick Board urge all Foothills Middle School families: "Don't Delay - Join PTA!" The annual PTA membership drive is now in progress.

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Correction

The picture of Nick Schult doing push-ups during football "hell week" was taken by Kelly Shannon not Barbara Wamboldt.

Arcadia Public Library Foundation

The Arcadia Public Library Foundation is one of four local charities that will receive proceeds from this year's Festival of Food on Monday, Sept. 28, 5:30-8:30 p.m., in the infield at Santa Anita Park.

Originated by the now disbanded Arcadia Tournament of Roses Association and known as the Wineshed Mixer, this traditional community event will feature a wide variety of fine foods provided by Albertsons, Arcadia Cigar & Cafe, Au Pon Pain, Bashful Butler, Bella Italia, Casa del Rey, Chili's, Chez Sateau, Home Town Buffet of Covina, La Parisienne, Lozano's, Marcaroni Grill and Pavilions Market.

Funds from the Festival of Food will help provide computers and other technology for the library as well as support a new adult literacy program, according to Jesse Vanlandingham, president of the Arcadia Public Library Foundation. The event will also benefit Arcadia Child Health Council, National Childhood Cancer Foundation, the Arcadia Police Department's DARE program and the Arcadia Chamber of Commerce.

In addition to food from various local restaurants, the event will feature floral displays by creative local florists, a raffle drawing and music by Planet Jazz under the direction of Jason Marshall. There also will be television monitors for those wanting to catch Monday Night Football action, according to Polly Schmutz, chairman.

Serving on the Festival committee are Mikki Porretta, Don Swenson and Jack Teel.

Reservations at $14 per person are available at the Arcadia Chamber of Commerce, 388 West Huntington Drive. Groups of five or more, may make reservations at $12 per person through Sept. 25. For more information, call (626) 447-2159.

Arcadia Police Calls

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10. Units were called to the 900 block of West Huntington at 7:46 p.m. on the report of an assault. The victim reported that he rode his bike to the 99 cent store, 645 West Duarte, around 7:20 p.m. When he exited the store, he noticed that his saddle bag on his bike frame was unzipped and a pack of cigarettes was missing. The victim observed two male subjects dressed in gang attire standing near his bike and confronted them. They became very defensive when questioned, and the male/Caucasian suspect struck the victim in the back of his head while the male/Hispanic suspect kicked him from the front. After a few seconds, the suspects fled the scene. The victim was bleeding from the head and AFD paramedics responded and transported him to AMH for treatment.

11. At 8:58 p.m., loss prevention officers from Robinson-May reported that they had detained two male/Hispanic suspects for burglary. The suspects were caught using a stolen credit to purchase merchandise and their stolen getaway vehicle was located in the parking lot. Private persons' arrests were made and both suspects, ages 18 and 19, were taken into custody.

12. While on routine patrol around 10:40 p.m., an officer stopped a vehicle with an expired registration in the 100 block of East Huntington. A records check revealed that the 41-year-old male/Caucasian suspect had a suspended license and the car was to be impounded for 30 days. An inventory search of the vehicle was conducted prior to impound, and officers located a baggie containing a white crystalline substance under the driver's seat. The suspect later admitted that the substance was methamphetamine and that he had last used the substance around 10:00 a.m. The suspect was arrested at the scene for possession of controlled substance and unlicensed driver.

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13. At 1:01 a.m., units responded to the 1400 block of South Linda on the report of a woman screaming. Officers were flagged down by a female victim who indicated that she had just been robbed. She was confronted by a male/African-American suspect when she exited her vehicle in the garage. The suspect then grabbed her purse and fled on foot. Officers conducted an area search, but the suspect was not found.

14. Officers were dispatched to the 1100 block of Fairview around 1:00 p.m. to investigate a hot prowl burglary. The victim returned home to find a male/Asian suspect inside the residence. The victim yelled and the suspect fled with $10,000 in jewelry. Officers were unable to locate the suspect during an area check.

15. About 7:21 p.m., units responded to a lifeline distress alarm call in the 100 block of sycamore. Officers were unable to make contact with the elderly residents to check on their welfare. Forced entry was made, and once inside officers found the residents watching television. The lifeline alarm must have malfunctioned.

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Bethany Church of Sierra Madre

By Al Elby

"Faith", five letters when placed sequentially cuts across all of mankind and touches the very being and essence of man. We can strive to gain faith as we strive to acquire any desirable commodity in life. We can make it so complex a process that we can lose the forest for the trees. Faith was never meant to be that difficult to attain or obtain. In fact, simplicity is the very essence of faith and making it complex does nothing more than muddy the water.

St. Augustine said, "Wherever I go I preach the Gospel and when necessary I do good works." What a simple, healthy combination and sequence. This may seem an over simplification but it successively captures the heart of what the Christian faith is all about. There is here an inviolate succession here that leads to faith and then in turn reaches out to faith. The sequence I speak of is to ask, to receive, and then share what we have received with those about us.

This process all starts with our asking. Asking precedes everything else because we must ask in order to receive God's love. In the case of Christianity we must ask Christ to become our Savior. We must ask Him to come into our heart and cleanse us of our sin. This starts the ball rolling because now God can shower upon us the manifold blessings that He has for those who have made a profession of faith. You must receive God's love before you can give this divine love out. You can't give anything away that you never possessed. You can't give away what you don't have.

This is a marvelous and divine gift that God "graciously" bestows upon us all. If we but ask, He bestows and we receive this gift and then it is incumbent upon us to share this diving gift with others so that they too can bask in the sun of God's love. So you see faith is not that complex. It is available to all and relatively simple to attain — all we have to do is ask.

Connecting with the Church

By Helen Simmons Conroy

One in a series of stories shared by St. Rita's parishioners.

Facing Death

Elaine Wogensen had been very close to her dad. Defeated by prostrate cancer, he died a year and a half ago. In a way, Elaine felt relieved when her father died, as death enabled him escape the relentless torture that his disease had inflicted.

Many of Elaine's siblings told her that they had experienced some type of spiritual contact with him after he died—his presence had been felt in a particular room or they had dreamed about him. Elaine, however, had experienced none of these things. In fact she had not felt much of anything. She shed no tears at the funeral. A complete numbness set in for about three weeks.

Then one Sunday morning it hit her. When she woke up that morning she realized that her normal Sunday routine could never be the same again. For years she had spent Sundays visiting with her dad. Feeling the void of his death for the first time, she started sobbing. Elaine continued to cry all day. Emotionally drained and confused by this sudden burst of emotion, she decided to go to church.

It had always been a place where she could go to clarify things. She sat down in a pew to pray for some answers. Something told her that she had to accept the fact that her father would no longer be there in a physical sense. It was a thought that she felt did not come from her own mind, but from God. She finally faced her father's death, let go and felt at peace.

Pioneer Days Dinner-Dance

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altors and through Interact and Rotary club members.

The Rotary Club of Sierra Madre will serve beer from the Sierra Brewery and wine. They will also sponsor the evening's entertainment by the local band, Pecos, who will play rock-and-roll favorites from 6:30-10 p.m.

Dress is casual in keeping with the "Pioneer Days" theme and the village street setting, complete with bales of hay to define the food and beverage area.

For more information about this fun family event sponsored by Interact and Rotary clubs, call Susie at (626) 836-2207.

Reminder: Lead-in events for "Pioneer Days 1998" will be held Sat., Oct. 3. A hike to mountain camps of long ago will begin at Lizzie's Trail Inn and Richardson House and follow routes of early pack trains headed for the camps. For information, call Dr. Bill White, 355-9697.

A sidewalk sale will be held by downtown Sierra Madre merchants from 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m., also on Sat., Oct. 3. Shop early to find the best in bargains.

Obituary Notice

Clifford R. Stapfer, born February 3, 1962 in the Ryukyu Islands, Naha, Okinawa Japan.

Died September 17, 1998 at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, California. He was 36 years old. Cause of death was from complications of juvenile diabetes.

Beloved son, brother, nephew, cousin, husband, uncle, friend. He is survived by his wife of twelve years, Donna Hutt-Stapfer of Ontario, California; his mother, Gloria Darlene Wark Stapfer of San Dimas, California; his father, Gerhard Stapfer of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; his sister Wanda S. Kummer (David) of Simi Valley, California, his godparents Bill and Marilyn McKernan of Sierra Madre, California, his grandmother Ruth Wark of Hesperia; his aunt Ursula Hertig (Markus) of Uetikon, Switzerland, his uncle Mike Wark (Mary) of Shreveport, Louisiana; five nephews, three nieces, two grand-nephews, three cousins and hundreds of friends and acquaintances who loved him.

He had been an avid mountaineer and electrical engineer, beginning his careers at an early age. He had taught Basic Mountaineering for the Sierra Club from the time he was sixteen until the program was discontinued in 1987, and had begun programming professionally when he worked on the Viking project at JPL at the age of fourteen. He attended La Salle High School in Pasadena, California (1979) and matriculated at Cal Poly Pomona with a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Electronic Engineering in 1985. In his last position as a Systems Engineer for JHK & Associates, he had been responsible for engineering the changeable message signs and other electronic forms of traffic management in many Southern California communities and was featured on the cover of the View Section of the Los Angeles Times in March of 1993.

Kind, honorable and generous, his death was the culmination of years of poor health directly related to his diabetic condition, which he was diagnosed with at the age of five.

Interment will be at the Sierra Madre Pioneer Cemetery, with arrangements being made through Glasser-Miller-Lamb Mortuary of Arcadia. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the tribute fund established in his name at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Donations Department, 8700 Beverly Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90048.

Letters To The Editor

An Excellent History Of The Episcopal Church Of The Ascension

Dear Editor:

The September 17th issue of the Sierra Madre News printed an obituary of Catherine Turney. No mention was made of the fact that Turney authored a history of Sierra Madre's most historic church, The Episcopal Church of the Ascension.

She had moved to Sierra Madre in 1983. Although a graduate of the Bishop's School in La Jolla, she had not been a church goer. A friend introduced her to this historic church. She was over whelmed with its beauty, its religious service and she became a member.

In 1985, the church celebrated its 100th birthday. Father Donald Behm, the rector at that time, asked her to write a history of the church to celebrate the centenary. She agreed. Her three years of research and work produced an excellent history of this parish.

Turney and I were members of Huntington Westerners and I always enjoyed seeing. She was a beautiful, talented woman.

Phyllis Chapman
-Sierra Madre

Holy Angels School Book Fair

Holy Angels will be hosting a scholastic book fair on Sunday, September 27th from 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the school library. A wide selection and variety of books will be available for ages pre-K through junior high. This is an especially exciting book fair because it is a Buy One Get One Free!!! For every book purchased receive another book of equal or lesser value absolutely free! All book purchases will directly benefit the school.

Holy Angels is located at 360 Campus Drive in Arcadia (SE corner of Campus and Holly).

Historic Homes on Fun/Walk

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for Pacific Electric from 1897 to 1931. He drove the first streetcar into Sierra Madre in 1906. When his mother died in 1913, the streetcar company allowed him to use a private car to take her body for burial in the Sierra Madre cemetery.

In 1888, Adda Lockhart married Stephen R. Norris. He established a merchandise and grocery business at the corner of Sierra Madre Blvd. and Lima. Later his son, George, took over the business and then sold in 1938 to David Roess. George was one of the founders of the Sierra Madre Volunteer Fire Dept. and served for 20 years. He and his wife, Nina, raised seven daughters (there were two sets of twins) and one son. The family was very talented musically. One set of twins traveled during WW II with Bob Hope, made movies, etc.

In recent years, residing in the Lokhart House have been caretakers for the Jameson Estate, next door . (I recently wrote an article for the News about the estate). The estate restored the house when building the new, nearby homes.

Across the street from the Jameson Estate at 470 W. Highland, is a beautiful Craftsman house built in 1910 and known as the Bailey House. In the 1930's, Mrs. Ida May Jameson purchased the home for her sister, Mrs. West and her niece, Ruth. Mrs. West resided here only for a short time. After Mrs. Jameson's death, according to her will, Ruth came to live in the estate house until she died. She also inherited the furnishings in the Jameson home.

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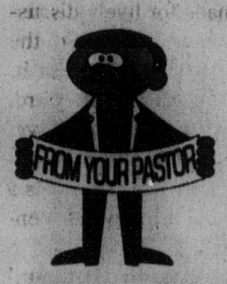
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Deliveries can be made everywhere in Sierra Madre except the canyon. Individuals living in the canyon can still benefit from the meals program but must make their own pick-up arrangements. Deliveries are made Mondays through Fridays from about 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. To enroll in the program, contact Dorothy Hobiack at the Sierra Madre Senior Center, through City Hall at 355-7135, extension#257.



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Local Sports Wrapup

By Dan Oakes

First and foremost, wow...wow...wow. OK, so USC wasn't supposed to have a difficult time with Oregon State, who had gone 0 for forever in the PAC-10. Whether you're a Trojan fan or not (and I am, with apologies to my mother and Arcadia Mayor Gary Kovacic, and any other Bruins who may be reading this), you have to be excited about two local kids who sealed the fate of OSU. First, in the second half with the Trojans' lead in jeopardy, Mike MacGillivray, son of former Sierra Madre Mayor Maryann MacGillivray, ruined OSU's day by absolutely burying the Beavers with a beautiful coffin corner punt that penned Oregon State inside their own five yard line.

When the Trojan defense came out on the field, on third and long, the hero was former Arcadia High School standout Sultan Abdul-Malik. Abdul-Malik was moved from linebacker to defensive end at USC, and was matched up against an offensive tackle who outweighed him by about 100 pounds. The ex-Apache completely ran over his line-of-scrimmage counterpart, sacking Bryant, the Beaver quarterback, to force a punt. Nice work by the locals.

Things are progressing for the Maranatha girls tennis team. Andrea Wong (3-0), Vanessa Ling (3-0), and the doubles teams of Christine Go-Danielle Ho (3-0) and Colleen Wong-Christina Bangara (3-0) led the Lady Minutement to a lopsided 15-3 victory over first year school Diamond Ranch. Despite being in its infancy, the Maranatha squad is a very respectable 2-3-1.

It was an impressive last week for the La Salle Lancers cross-country teams. The boys easily cruised to a win in a tri-meet against Arcadia and Monrovia, with Mark Dombrowski, Neil Kalra, Ryan Scott-Acosta, Ryan Weigand, and Scott Nuccio finishing 1-2-3-4-6 in a 16-45-70 win. Lancer runners 1-3 were separated by only 19 seconds, and Dombrowski finished almost 1:30 ahead of the nearest non-Lancer, Monrovia's Phil Monell. For Arcadia, Abel Gonzales put the team on the board, finishing 7th and leading Arcadia to a second place finish significantly ahead of Monrovia.

Not to be outdone, the Lancer Girls finished ahead of Arcadia, 21-35. Top finishers were Shannon Skager (La Salle) at 21.26, Tatiana Santos (Arcadia) at 22.52, Mary Jo Alexander (La Salle) at 22.54, Allison Hutchcraft (La Salle) at 23.04, and Dana Tyson (Arcadia) at 23.09.

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Wheeler "On-A-Roll"

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Running Like The Wind

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foot of the hill bounding the eastern limits. Beyond that point, was open ground, yet undeveloped, where a figure four trap might very well be successful in catching Quail, a ground dwelling and feeding, delicious tasting bird, much favored by all manner of hunters. Of course, our method of catching the Quail was even then, highly illegal and subject to severe penalties if caught. Sometimes, we caught a bird or two, sometimes three or four and sometimes nothing.

This day, however, was to prove to be a little more than we expected, for unknown to us, we were under surveillance by the Fish and Game Department, possible turned in by more environmentally concerned citizens.

Arriving home, dropping the books and trumpet, we hurried eastward along Central Avenue, now Sierra Madre Blvd., until we came to the Sierra Madre canyon wash, where we turned south to our traps location. As we approached it's location, we had no idea that we were being observed by a Game Warden who was hiding behind some very convenient brush, just waiting for us to indicate that we were indeed, the one's who had set the trap. By all rights, he had us cold turkey, but being very fleet of foot, excelled in this activity only by Peyton Jordan, I immediately took off at full speed, trailed by Kenny who had grasped my shirt tail to give himself every opportunity to also escape.

Now the Warden, a somewhat portly individual, didn't stand a chance catching us in a foot race, so he headed for his official vehicle to see if he could cut us off and apply the collar. But, knowing this area by the back of our hands, we had no intention of being even close to a road or open area that might facilitate the Wardens pursuit. Through the orchards we fled, down one row, then another, headed in the direction of home, knowing all the time just where our pursuer was and successfully avoiding his every effort. In time, he gave up the chase.

Of course, our forays to this lucrative trapping area ceased, as well it di, for I seriously doubted that my shirttail would have survived another close call by the Fish and Game Department.

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